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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**TRANSMITTAL**(INCLUDING FILING FEE AND/OR PETITION FOR
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*Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective May 29, 2000
provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.**See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)***RECEIVED**
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Title of Invention SYSTEM FOR MANAGING RESOURCES USED AMONG GROUPS

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (March 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 (Box a or b must be completed)a. ☒ Previously submittedi. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on January 23, 2003

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ____iii. ☐ Otherb. ☐ Enclosedi. ☐ Amendment/Reply

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ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

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iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)iv. ☐ Other

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Miscellaneousa. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §103(c) for a period of ____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required).b. ☐ OtherAdjustment date: 03/26/2003 SBIRETA1
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Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of <u>November 23, 2002</u> , petition is hereby made for an extension of time to cover the date this RCE is filed, for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$410); 3 months (\$930); 4 months (\$1,450); 5 months (\$1,970) (paid for 2 month extension of time on January 23, 2003):					520.00
Suspension Fee (\$130.00)					
Total of above Calculations =				\$	1270.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).					
TOTAL FEES DUE =				\$	1270.00
4. <input type="checkbox"/> Small entity status: a. <input type="checkbox"/> Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status. b. <input type="checkbox"/> A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status was previously filed and such status is still proper and desired. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is no longer claimed. 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Other:					
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7. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application and of any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 to maintain pendency hereof and of any such related application to: Deposit Account No. 19-3935.					
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